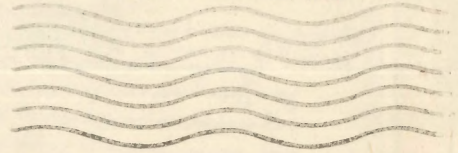
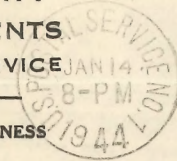


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Hello Folks,

Happy New Year! - And congratulate me - I just wrote the date for the first time and I got it right! - I wait for the next six months, tho - but every other time I will be getting it wrong.

Not much of a celebration here for New Year's Eve. Several came over to our tent and spent the evening until about 11:30. We just gabbed and discussed anything & everything as we always do. I had just crawled into my ol' sack, it seemed, when I heard sounds of shooting. In fact it awoke me - so I looked at my watch and saw it was midnight - saying 'Happy New Year' to myself. I went back to sleep! - Because of my late hours last night I overslept this morning, so had no breakfast. - At least it wasn't long until lunch so I really didn't miss much.

A day off today - and we need it. Old man winter came in full force and it seems nice just to be sitting around and resting by the fire. - I could stand a lot of this for I had a bit too strenuous a time last week. - Hope I can finish up my missions without any such repetitions. - Anyway - a New Year will maybe shed up a lot of things, like hope! - How do my V-mails come thru - slower than regular mail? Any going to eat some of this first cake now, want some?

V-MAIL

Love, Frank

P.S. - We - no fun seeing your new coming are sufficient for you returning - this is a chance - till then